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RICHMOND'S LETTER TO SANTA CLAUS.

GAY SCENES ON BROAD STREET

Greater Crowds Than Ever Throng This Theroughfare.

THE FINAL CRUSH WILL COME TO-NIGHT

Evening With Horn and Firecrackers-Flowers Are in Great Demand. Viands Are

Plentiful.

eve of Christmas, the festival

searely clad elbowed each other breedence at the big stores and the crowded theroughfares from until nearly midnight, mendicants and the street singers, accordeon players and the organ ers were there bright and early and ed late and many a coin clattered the receptacles they held out for ounty of the multilude, sorts and conditions of men and especially of women spent much e day charing bargains and example of the merchants. Everywas in good humor, though some grimly in carnest as they rushed their mission. The day was withsterious accident or sensational inserious accident or sensational inabout their mission. The day was withmit serious accident or sensational incident of any nature. Nothing more
startling occurred than the occasional
crists of some oblina, glass or other
ragile ormanent let fall by its purchaser. Like hiving bees the multitude
wound hilter and tifther, around and
around the well-laden counters, asking
nuestions, examining wares, making
nurchases or asking prices. The salesgirls and men worked hard and patiently and it is needless to say welcome the
hour that marked the subsidence of the
bargain-hunting parade.

Florists Had Good Day.

Florists Had Good Day, or florists had their best day, and e large inroads on their stocks, for one were never more popular for detive purposes nor for gifts than this on, and never is a handsomer class greater variety shown. The winder of the stock of blundred; carnations can be had at from 50 cents to a dollar a dozen; white hyacinths are worth 75 cents at dozen; white hyacinths are worth 75 cents at dozen; white hyacinths are worth 75 cents at dozen; calla lilies at a dollar a plant; begonias and other potted plants at \$1 to \$5. Poinsettas sell at \$2 to \$3 cach; forms at \$1.50 to \$10 each according to luxuriance and length of foliage. Azaleas at \$3 cach. Wicker baskets of the most ornate sorts with a variety of blossoming plants growing therein, sell from \$2 to \$10 cach, according to size and the variety of flowers they contain.

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Around the Sixth Street Market along the curb from Broad to Clay and up Marshall to Fifth there are dozens and dozens of stands where evergreens, holly mistictoe and designs such as wreaths and stars are made while the patron waits. These wreaths are adorned with red or white immorteless and made attractive window decorations. Never has the display of Christmas foliage on the market been greater than this year.

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The same is true of the Christmas market. The variety of meats and game, that and oysters and of vegetables in season is very large and the quality fine. Hohmond people need not let the innerman suffer for substantials this year, if only they have the whorawithal to buy, Cartainly there is the variety and plenty from which to choose.

The stores in every line appear to be doing a fine business. The jewelry stores are centres of shopping interest and apparently more jewelry and a more expensive grade is being given every year for Christmas presents.

Books, too, and stationer's supplies and novelites and histories are centres of shopping interest supplies and novelites and histories supplies and novelites and histories appared, toilet articles in silver and coony and other wares and a thousand things are to be had at prices ranging from five cents to hundreds of dollars. The people are buying, too, in a way that indicates that they are more than usually prospercies. This urban buyers are augmented daily by hundreds from the surrounding section and many visitors from a distance are among the shopping throns.

PRESIDENT AND MORTON AT ODDS

Hinted That Disagreement Over Rate Question Cause Trouble.

SECRETARY HAS VIEWS OF HIS OWN

Thousands Will be Out This But Mr. Roosevelt Is Even More Persistent and Declares That Congress Must Do What

He Wants-Likelihood of Action.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 23

President and Legislators.

(Special to The Times, Dispatch.)

SOUTH BOSTON, VA., Dec. 23.—A cottage very recently built on Ellyson Street and owned by Mr. II. A. Thomas was destroyed by fire yesterday. The dwelling was occupied by Mr. Geo. W. Dance. Nearly all the furnishre was saved, but the loss is about \$1.000 with about \$600 insurance.

Destroys Two Entire

Blocks.

HEART OF BUSINESS SECTION

Flames Carried Everything

Before Them.

THE STUDENTS LEAVE THIRTY-EIGHT KILLED IN FILIPINO AMBUSH

Situation Said to be Growing Critical on Island of Somar.

(By Associated Press.) MANILA, Dec. 28.—The Pulajanes have ambushed and killed at Dolores, on the Island of Samar, a Bentenant and thirtyseven enlisted men of the Thirty-eighth

company of native scouts. Two thousand Pulajanes, It is reported, threaten the town of Dolores, and the situation is said to be critical.

Lieutenant Abbott, in command of the scouts, has requested that aid be sent

No Official Advices.

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Ordered to Leave Fez.

By Associated Press.)

PARIS Dec. 24.—The correspondent at Tungjor, of the Math, says that after calling at the French mission the ministers of the several powers ordered all people of their nationalities to quit Fez.

Embryo Doctors and Young

Ladies of Woman's College Spend Christmas at Home. All of the schools and colleges of the

city have closed for the Christmas hol-iday, and in the majority of institutions classes will be resumed on Tuesday, January 3d. The non-resident students have for the

most part left the city for their homes, where they will spend the holidays. The Medical College of Virginia sus-pended lectures yesterday and will re-

pended lectures yesterday and will resume them on the 3d of January. The students have all left for their homes with the exception of a few who reside at points too far distant for them to return to college in time for the opening of college.

Lectures at the University College of Medicine were suspended on Thursday, and almost the entire student body left the city.

The classes in the Richmona College were suspended yesterday and will be rosumed on the 3d of January. An unusual large number of the students remained over this year, and this is accounted for by the large number of young men who have come from distant States. On Wednesday list the Christmas holdidays at the Woman's College began, and the large of the students of the school will reconvene on January 3d. Out of the salire number of boarders,

FIREMAN KILLED; HAY SENDS NEW LOSS \$1,000,000 NOTE TO POWERS LOSS \$1,000,000

Big Fire Sweeps Sioux City and Suggests Further-Interchange of Views be Effected Through International Bureau.

PRESIDENT MUCH GRATIFIED

For Three and a Half Hours

with difficulty that all escaped from the burning building. The flames enveloped much of the building before the fire department arrived, and was quite beyond control. For three hours and a half until they had gotten beyond range of the large buildings the flames carried everything in their path. Both tolegraph companies were put out of business by reason of their wires being burned out.

The fire was gotten under control at 11:30 P. M.

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110, there is not one of them at the school, all of them having left for their homes or the homes of others to spend the holidays This is the first time in years that at this institution there has not been twenty or thirty young lades to remain for the holiday season.

All of the private and public schools of the city closed yesterday and will open on the 3d of January.

Invite President.

FORT WORTH, TEX., Dec. 23.—One thousand employes of the Toxus and Padiffe Reliroad residing in this city have extended an invitation to President Roosevelt to visit Fort Worth.

37 WANT HELP TO-DAY.

The 37 advertisements for help pub-ished in to-day's Times-Dispatch on age 10 are as follows:

3 Trades. 5 Miscellaneous. 25 Domestics. 4 Salesman.

This not only interests those out of work, but those desiring to improve their positions as well.

DODGE TRIED TO JUMP OVERBOARD

His Return to Face Charge of Perjury.

JEROME THROWS CLERK OUT

and put him out of his office. The clork then threw the paper through the open door and left.

In speaking of his action later, Mr. Jorome said: "in the first place, Dodge was not in this county. Besides, he was in the custody of the United States." Detectives who arrived on the steamer with Dodge, said that he is in great fear over the result of his return to face a trial for perjury and that on the way from Galvaeton, he tried to jump overboard but was prevented. After that he was guarded night and day.

PLEASE BRANG

LIBRARY.

hus Richmond

In Great Fear Over Result of Famous Old Westmoreland En tertains on a Surpassing Scale.

Ministers and Other Professional Men of the Highest Type Were There

the famous old Westmoreland Club, had

Christmas beverages and the music, and Christmas beverages and the music, and the viands and the good followship wrought their spell, and men who have seen each other hundreds of times, but have never known each other's names, clasped hands warmly and exchanged courteous greetings. Dignity was at a discount, formality was cast aside and good followship reigned. There was joylality, there was hilarity, there was

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KILLS OFFICER AND IS HIMSELF SHOT DOWN

Vaccinated Resists Arrest, With Fatal Results.

(By Associated Press.)

MACON, GA., December 23.—A. Special to the Telegraph from Sandersville, Ga., says that Boss Garret shot and killed Special Officer Gideon Matthews to-day while resisting arrest for rotusing to submit to compulsory vaccination. Garret escaped, but a strong posse of citizens was immediately formed and started in pursuit. The ficeling min was overtaken one mile north of town. He attempted further flight, and yas shot through the thigh by Deputy Marshal Wilson, arrestignand lodged in the county fall. Carrett also sustained a serious wound in the right side, inflicted by Special Officer Matthews. It is thought he will not live.

CHARGED WITH USING

HEROIC NERVE OF TENNESSEE MAN

Man Who Did Not Want to be Unable to Extricate His Arm From Machine, Cut It Off Himself.

> (Special to The Times-Dispatch,)
> BRISTOL, TENN., December 28.-A telephone message from Butler, Johnson county, Tonnessee, states that Bird Smith, thirty-five years of age, had his right arm cut to pieces in a shredder. After thirty minutes spent in an effort to extricate himself, with a knife, Smith deliberately out the injured arm off near the elbow, leaving the mangled hand and forearm in the machine.

WENT TO DIMNER: FOUND WIFE AND BABY DEAD

SYLVANIA, GA., Dec. 23.—When Ben-MAILS TO DEFRAUD

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SOBBING WOMAN LED BACK TO CELL

Nan. Patterson Hysterical When Jury Fails to Reach Agreement.

DIVISION EVEN: NEW TRIAL LIKELY

Effort Will Now be Made to Secure Bail-Crowd Pursues Foreman of Jury in Haste to Learn Result of Deliberations

(By Associated Press.) day of intense nervous strain, Nan Pas

Was Evenly Divided.

The demonstration in the court after the announcement of the disagreement was somewhat remarkable, many press-ing forward to express sympathy for the young woman.

Abraham Levy, chief counsel for Miss Patterson, called on his client in the fromba late this afternoon and remained

wore ut the time of his death, and with use revolver attempted to demonstrate that suicide was possible.

The interest in the case was so intense that the crowds which had stood outside the court building all the morning pursued foreman Harmer, of the jury when he left the court after the final adjournment. He bearded a trolley, but men chused the car to his business office, and mounted policemen were called upon to disperse the throns.

Girl Nearly Fainted.

The closing of the proceedings at this time, just two days before Christmas, added to the sentimental interest in the girl's fate, and the prospect of spending the holidays in prison undoubtedly accentuated the girl's agony when she heard the words that she was not to be free. Her father, who has been by her side ever since the trial begin, and whose tender care and devoltion to her have been the most touching feature of the trial, tried to comfort her, but his saddened face and mourful expression robbed the words he uttered of force and meaning as he said: "Don't worry, little girl; it will come out all right yet."

After her removal from the cour-room Miss Patterson was taken to a rotiring room and restoratives were given to her. She soon revived, but while passing over the bridge of sighs on her way to her cell in the Tombs sho suffered a second fainting spell, from which she recovered slowly. Once in her cell Miss Patterson went bitterly. A Tombs missionary tried to comfort her, but she would not be comforted. She cried for her father, but when he was admitted to her cell she did not immediately recognize him. The father went in company with his daugiter.

After the prison physician had sdmitstered at mulants Miss Patterson recovered.

After the prison physician had administered stimulants Miss Patterson recovered some of her former self-possession.

"De you think?" she asked the missionary, "that the jury believed me suilty because I broke down and orled, along toward the last there? You remember, after I had stood Mr. Rand's attack as long as I could, I just had to break down and cry, and I thought that maybe they believed I was that kind of a woman."

The missionary reassured her and she became more cheerful.

Scene in Court-Room.